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In re Application of :  
Eugene M. Pester, III :  
Application No. 09/478,078 : DECISION ON PETITION  
Filed: January 5, 2000 :  
Attorney Docket No. 023341.9002 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.181, filed January 26, 2004, requesting withdrawal of the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

This application was held abandoned for failure to timely submit Corrected Drawings on or before October 24, 2003, as required by the Notice of Allowability mailed July 24, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed December 15, 2003.

Petitioner states that the reply was timely. A review of USPTO records reveals that petitioner's reply was received on October 23, 2003 and was indeed timely.

In view of the above, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated and the holding of abandonment withdrawn and the application restored to pending status.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Joan Olszewski at (571) 272-7751.

This application is being referred to the Office of Data Management for processing into a patent and review of the Corrected Drawings submitted on October 23, 2003.

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